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JOINT EMBASSY/USEC/USNATO MESSAGE

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF VICE PRESIDENT ELECT TO EUROPE AND JAPAN

REF: (A) STATE 7810, (B) BRUSSELS 273, (C) STATE 5532

1. FOREIGN MINISTRY WELCOMES VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT MONDALE'S VISIT TO BELGIUM.
2. PRIME MINISTER TINDEMANS CONFIRMS BREAKFAST WITH MR. MONDALE AT 0830 AM ON JANUARY 24.
3. DIRECTOR OF NATO SECRETARY GENERAL LUNS' PRIVATE OFFICE CONFIRMS THAT MEETING WITH SYG LUNS AT NATO HEADQUARTERS AT 1015 AM IS AGREEABLE AS REQUESTED REFTEL A.
4. ALTHOUGH NOT INCLUDED IN REFTEL A. WE ASSUME THAT VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT PLANS TO MEET WITH THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL FOLLOWING HIS MEETING WITH SYG LUNS AS PER REFTEL C.
5. IN VIEW OF THE EXPECTED STRONG MEDIA INTEREST IN THE VICE
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PRESIDENT-ELECT MEETING WITH THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL
WE CONTINUE TO URGE THAT MR. MONDALE SCHEDULE IN THE PRESS THEATER A PRESS CONFERENCE, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING HIS MEETING WITH THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL, AND PRIOR TO DEPARTING NATO HEADQUARTERS AT 1200 NOON.

6. AMBASSADOR STRAUSSZ-HUPE CONTINUES TO RECOMMEND THAT MR.

MONDALE MEET WITH HIM FOLLOWING THE BREAKFAST WITH PM TINDEMANS FOR A LAST MINUTE BRIEFING ON KEY ISSUES THE VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT WILL LIKELY HAVE TO ADDRESS IN MEETINGS WITH SYG LUNDS AND THE NAC, UNLESS MR. MONDALE WOULD PREFER TO MEET FOLLOWING HIS ARRIVAL ON THE EVENING OF JANUARY 23.

7. IN ACCORDANCE WITH ABOVE, WE STRONGLY SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT DURING HIS VISIT TO NATO HEADQUARTERS:

0945 BRIEFING BY AMBASSADOR STRAUZ-HUPE AT NATO HEADQUARTERS
1015 CALL ON SECRETARY GENERAL LUNS
1140 PRESS CONFERENCE
1200 DEPART NATO HEADQUARTERS FOR HOTEL.

8. WITH REGARD TO VISIT TO THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION, WE CALLED CRISPIN TICKELL, JENKINS' CHEF DE CABINET, UPON RECEIPT REFTTEL AND READ HIM PROPOSED SCHEDULE INVOLVING EC. TICKELL CHECKED WITH JENKINS AND CALLED BACK WITH FOLLOWING REACTION.

9. JENKINS CLEARLY DELIGHTED THAT VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT IS COMING BUT IS CONCERNED THAT LIMITED TIME ALLOTTED FOR DISCUSSION WITH COMMISSION WILL BE INSUFFICIENT TO COVER AGENDA. FROM EC WASHINGTON DEL, JENKINS UNDERSTANDS VICE-PRESIDENT-ELECT WANTS DISCUSS INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AFFAIRS INCLUDING POSSIBLE SUMMIT, CIEC, ENERGY AND TRADE. AGENDA IS FINE WITH JENKINS, BUT HE FEARS TIME IS NOT ENOUGH TO COVER ADEQUATELY.

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10. TICKELL ALSO SAID WASHINGTON DEL HAS INFORMED HIM THAT U.S. SIDE WILL BE PROPOSING JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE AFTER MEETING. SINCE THAT WILL TAKE AT LEAST HALF HOUR, THIS CUTS TIME FOR TWO MEETINGS AT COMMISSION TO UNDER AN HOUR, AND HE REGARDS THIS AS INSUFFICIENT.

11. AS ALTERNATIVE, JENKINS PROPOSES MEETING WITH HIM AND A FEW SELECTED COMMISSIONERS FROM 3:00 TO 4:30. VICE-PRESIDENT COULD THEN LEAVE FOR HIS 5:00 P.M. MEETING AND RETURN TO COMMISSION AROUND 6:00 FOR FURTHER SHORTER SESSION WITH FULL COMMISSION, FOLLOWED BY JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE IF THAT IS VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT'S DESIRE. THIS WOULD DELAY SCHEDULED DEPARTURE FOR BONN UNTIL ABOUT 7:30 OR 8:00 P.M. WITH ARRIVAL BONN AROUND 8:45 OR 9:00.

12. JENKINS WISHES EMPHASIZE TO US THAT ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL IS OFFERED BOTH TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE TIME TO

RESPOND TO VICE-PRESIDENT-ELECT'S INTERESTS AND COMMENTS, AS WELL AS ACCOMMODATE DESIRED JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE. HOWEVER, IF TIME PROPOSED REFTEL IS ONLY POSSIBILITY, HE WILL, OF COURSE, ACCEDE TO VICE-PRESIDENT-ELECT'S PREFERENCE.

13. RE AGENDA, JENKINS WILL BE HAPPY TO DISCUSS WHATEVER VICE PRESIDENT WISHES TO RAISE. HE ASKS IF POINTS OTHER THAN THOSE NOTED ABOVE ARE OF INTEREST TO VICE-PRESIDENT-ELECT THAT WE LET HIM KNOW IN ADVANCE. JENKINS DOES NOT EXPECT TO RAISE OTHER POINTS ON EC SIDE, BUT WILL DISCUSS THIS FURTHER WITH AMBASSADOR EARLY NEXT WEEK.

14. CONTROL OFFICERS DESIGNATED FOR VISIT ARE:
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